

CONCLUSION

The Applicant and the undersigned greatly appreciate the Patent Examiner's helpful suggestions, and particularly those suggestions as to how to bring pending claims into allowable form, and the Examiner's kind offer to review a FAXed copy of the pleading prior to formal filing..

The Applicant and undersigned have made the required and requested changes, as set forth by the Patent Examiner, and now believe the patent application, with its now pending claims to be in allowable form. The Patent Examiner is respectfully requested to permit the patent application to go to Allowance.

If there are any further changes or amendments required to place this patent application in allowable form, and which may be resolved in a telephone interview or Examiner's Amendment, the Patent Examiner is respectfully requested to please call the undersigned.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this patent application.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX 1

DIVISIONAL
PATENT APPLICATION OF
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FOR
RETRACTABLE STOP

CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This is a Divisional Patent Application, the parent patent application being Serial Number 09/795,170, filed on February 27, 2001, and published as U.S. Patent Application No. 2002/0121794, on September 5, 2002, and issued as U.S. Patent Number 6,742,822 (2004). The entire declaration, oath, specification, disclosure, and drawing figures, and each of them, from said parent patent application and said issued patent are hereby incorporated herein by reference, thereto.

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Not Applicable